

## THE COMET.

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## SEEN AND HEARD.

### Personal and Other Items That Have Present Interest.

Hugh Kirkpatrick was in the city Tuesday.

D. C. Harrison, of Carville, was in the city Thursday.

Geo. A. Gammon, of Knoxville, was in the city Tuesday.

Gen. Wilder went up to Roan Mountain Tuesday to spend a few days.

Our jolly old friend, Jas. F. Taylor, of Chucky river, was in to see us Saturday.

Landon Waddell, a substantial farmer of Chucky river, was in the city this week.

Miss Nora Stein, of Bristol, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. David Gump, on Watauga avenue.

Mat Campbell, a prominent business man of Rheatown, was in the city the first of the week.

P. Q. Miller returned Monday from Nashville, where he had been attending the United Order of the Golden Cross.

The handsome and popular Ed. Lynn, who formerly lived in our midst, was up from Knoxville the first of the week.

Mrs. A. R. Johnson was called to her old home in Marion, N. C., Tuesday, on account of the serious illness of her mother.

J. A. Cargille went down to Washington College Tuesday to do some work in the picture business for the students of that place.

W. M. Sexton, who is well known to our people as a former manager of the Piedmont Hotel, has been in the city a few days on business.

The old corrugated block on Spring street, which was destroyed by fire some time ago is being torn away preparatory to erecting some nice brick buildings in its stead.

Capt. John Bell, the veteran East Tennessee conductor, was in the city Tuesday. He was a witness in the case against the railroad for killing Tom Lay in Carnegie last year.

The revival at the Southern M. E. church is still going on and doing good work under Rev. Bain. About fifty have been converted and much interest is still being manifested.

Mr. T. C. Blair is making some handsome and substantial improvements at his residence on Watauga avenue. He is making a massive stone gateway and otherwise beautifying the premises.

The Democratic district convention will meet at the court house tomorrow at one o'clock to select delegates to the Jonesboro convention, which meets Saturday, to nominate a county ticket.

Young Dr. S. R. Miller, who has been acting as advance agent for ex-Gov. Bob Taylor, came in last Thursday. He will remain at home awhile as he has the "Fool's Paradise" billed a month or so ahead.

Frank Critzman, who has been traveling the south with silverware and jewelry, stopped off Tuesday and Wednesday to see the acquaintances of his old home. He is looking well and reports good trade.

Gov. Robt. L. Taylor came in last Thursday from an extended lecturing tour of the south. He is hale and hearty, and has been playing to good houses wherever he went. He left Tuesday to resume his work on the platform.

The people in the neighborhood of 'Squire Martin's were terribly frightened about midnight Monday night by the screams of a colored woman who was being beaten by another of her kind over some trivial matter of disagreement.

R. G. Johnson was in Bristol yesterday.

Judge Tom Curtin, of Bristol, is in the city.

Col. Ike Reeves was attending court this week.

James A. Maher, of Roan Mountain, was in the city yesterday.

J. T. Browning, of the Staff is visiting homefolks at Cedar Creek this week.

Our old Democratic friend, G. W. Willett, was up from Jonesboro, this week.

John H. Yocum, chemist for the United States Leather Co., left for New York City last Thursday, where he will remain permanently. His many friends here are sorry that he could not remain longer with us.

Young Dr. Alexander and ——— Latimer came down from Elizabethton last Saturday. It is not known whether they walked or not, but such might be inferred from the way they teased each other about something of that pedestrian magnitude.

An unusual excitement was caused in the neighborhood of the foundry. The reporter ran the matter down and found that it was caused by two young men who resided in that vicinity. They went out in broad daylight at high noon and went to work in the garden.

D. Long Rice, a former companion and private secretary of Gov. Taylor, arrived Saturday and will again travel with the governor in that capacity. Mr. Rice spent last summer in Johnson City and is well and kindly remembered by our people. He is a good boy and we wish him much success in his old position.

Mr. J. P. Hopple, the popular cashier of the First National Bank, has resigned his position and will go in a few days to West Virginia, where he will take charge of the large landed interests of Mr. W. A. Engeman, of New York City. We regret very much to lose Mr. Hopple, but he is tired of confinement and wants to get out and enjoy the fresh mountain air during the summer. Mrs. Hopple and the family will remain here, as Mr. Hopple does not intend to make a permanent residence in West Virginia. Mr. Hopple will have charge of some tanneries operated by Mr. Engeman on the estate.

### Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars; free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.  
Sold by Druggists, 75c.

### "Munsey is King."

Do you read Munsey's Magazine? Only 10 cents. The brightest and best, and so cheap that the poorest can afford to read it. We sold fifteen last month, and did not have enough to fill all of our orders. We have ordered thirty this month, but they will not last long. So call next Tuesday and secure a copy before the supply is exhausted. Only 10 cents.

Yours truly,  
LYLE & Co., next to P. O.

Fine line of four-in-hand ties—all shades and cloths at Ware's.

Evaporated fruits at Faucette & Co's.

Wagon tongue bat only 85 cents.  
LYLE & Co.

### Another Candidate.

Mr. E. T. Wine, of Spurgin, in the 12th district, was in to see us Tuesday. Mr. Wine is a candidate before the Democratic convention for representative. He is a rattling talker and makes friends and supporters readily wherever he goes.

Have you seen the latest novelty. The patent steel wire brush ink eraser. For sale by  
LYLE & Co., next to P. O.

## THE 3-C's RAILROAD.

### The Outlook for an Early Resumption of Work Grows Brighter.

### The Line in Operation Earning Money. The Other Portion Will Be Built.

The "Three C's" Railroad, the securities of which are largely held in this city, is now on a self-supporting basis. During the past six months the North and South Carolina divisions have not only earned operating expenses, but they have earned something in addition, as against a deficit for the corresponding period last year. The Tennessee and Kentucky divisions are also making a good showing. The business of the road as a whole is, moreover, steadily improving, due to the springing up along its lines of new industries, including phosphate works at Blacksburg, flouring mills at Hickory Grove, and a cotton mill at Camden, S. C., etc. Competent judges declare that the entire line is at least in a condition where any new money expended in the way of construction or extension will not only easily earn its interest, but will also produce sufficient additional revenue to cover in part interest on money already invested. It is estimated that \$5,500,000 new money would complete the road as projected, including extensions into territory rich in traffic. An announcement in this connection will be, it is understood, soon made. Since October 1 last the property has been practically in the control of the reorganization committee, although Ex-Governor Chamberlain, of South Carolina, has continued as receiver for the company and is also its special master.—Philadelphia Times.

### Store Burglarized.

The show window of J. W. Mort's gun store was relieved of \$50 worth of goods Sunday morning, by unknown parties. Included in the missing goods were, a double barrel shot gun, Morlan repeating rifle, muzzle loading rifle, a Colt's revolver, etc. On the handle of the revolver was engraved the name of Capt. Augustus Sailor.

The guns were secured by breaking out a section of the large plate glass, which had already been broken sometime since.

It is believed that the burglary was committed early Sunday morning, and not long after the electric lights were turned off.—Bristol Courier, 24th.

### A Million Friends.

A friend in need is a friend indeed, and not less than one million people have found just such a friend in Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds.—If you have never used this Great Cough Medicine, one trial will convince you that it has wonderful curative powers in all diseases of Throat, Chest and Lungs. Each bottle is guaranteed to do all that is claimed or money will be refunded. Trial bottles free at McFarland & Co's. Drug Store. Large bottles 50 cents and \$1.00.

Two sacks of table salt for 5 cents at Faucette & Co's.

Reach's American League Ball only \$1.35.  
LYLE & Co.

### Moss-Artz.

Last Saturday recorded the marriage of a popular Johnson City couple at Bristol. The happy couple were Miss Bennie Moss and Mr. Fred Artz.

Miss Bennie had been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. M. Patton, in Washington, D. C., for several months. On her way home she was met at Bristol by Mr. Artz and the two repaired to the residence of Rev. Vance Price and had the ceremony performed. The minister and his wife were the only witnesses, but that did not and should not detract from the happiness of the couple. They came to Johnson City Sunday and will make their future home here. Miss Bennie is an attractive and amiable young lady and has many admirers, while Mr. Artz is a handsome and popular young business man, and has been connected with the tannery for several years.

THE COMET offers the usual congratulations and hopes that this newly wedded pair may never know the cruel disappointments of the world.

# NEW SPRING GOODS.

We have the largest stock and the finest assortment of  
**SPRING GOODS**  
ever offered this people before, and at Prices that defy all  
**COMPETITION.**

Come and see them. It is no trouble but a pleasure to show you our line. Everything of the very latest pattern. New figures and stripes. We have on our counters now:

**Worsteds in all shades and colors, 9 to 24c. a yard.**

**Henriettas in all shades and colors, 24c. to \$1 a yard.**

**Black and Figured Satteens, 9 to 20 cents a yard.**

**Black Lawn, Alpaca Finish 9 to 14 cents a yard.**

**Arnold's Challies, all shades, 4 to 5c. a yard.**

**Imported and Domestic Ginghams, 4 to 14c. a yard.**

**Plain and Dotted Swiss, 9 to 35c. a yard.**

**India Linens, 7 to 25c. a yard.**  
**Calicoes, 4 to 5c. a yard.**

**J. H. PREAS AND CO.,**  
**HIGH PRICE RESISTERS.**

### A Good Investment.

The \$25 in gold and \$25 in silver, which the New York Racket Store put in a box for the lucky holder of the right key, were drawn last Thursday.

L. E. Crouch, a young man from Boone's Creek, drew the \$25 in gold. He had the key for several weeks, but never dreamed that he was the lucky man. On hearing that the key could not be found, he concluded to come to town showday and try his keys. As soon as he drew the money he came straight to the office and subscribed for THE COMET, because he felt that he owed his luck to this paper, for in it he had seen the advertisement of the Racket Store. Mr. Crouch is a worthy young man, and has been very desirous of attending school, but he did not have the means. The dollar he invested in the Racket Store has enabled him to make all arrangements and he will go to school this fall.

The \$25 in silver was put up one day only, and was drawn by J. C. Mumpower, a poor but worthy man of a large family who lives in Johnson City. There was no one, perhaps, more deserving and in greater need of it than Mr. Mumpower, and we are glad that good luck attended his small purchase at the New York Racket Store.

### For Sale.

One share of First National Bank stock and three good lots on Unaka avenue.  
J. E. BRADING.

Tanned slippers at bottom prices at Faucette & Co's.

Hammocks only 50 cents—less than trustee's price.  
LYLE & Co., next to P. O.

Spring suits are now in order at CHAS. T. WARE'S.

Ripans Tablets.

Ripans Tablets cure dyspepsia.

### FROM WATAUGA.

Rev. Asa Routh preached here Saturday and Sunday.

Brother George Bowman, or some of the brethren, will preach here next Sunday.

Our fishermen have been quite successful fishing with grab hooks during the last week.

Mrs. Margaret Smith is having a frame kitchen and diningroom built to her brick residence.

G. A. Reese, of Radford, Va., came down last Saturday night to spend Sunday with homefolks.

The Carrier Brothers are in the mountains with a force of hands working night and day on their splash dam.

Brownlow Davis had a stroke of paralysis at his home in Turkeytown a few days ago, and is now under the care of Dr. J. W. Wallace.

Brother E. L. Addington, of Bristol, will attend to the ordinance of baptism at 10 a. m. next Sunday. Quite a number are to be baptized in the river.

Marion Oliver was up before H. B. Houston, Esq., last Thursday evening for public drunkenness and profanity. The fine and cost was paid by his mother to keep him out of jail.

Mrs. Mary Davenport, son and daughter left last Thursday for their old home at Olean, N. Y. They went by the Cincinnati route, for, although it was farther, they could reach home about ten hours sooner by that way.

### Patterns.

Mrs. J. B. Lady is now prepared to draft perfect fitting patterns of all garments for ladies or gentlemen, French or home styles. Spring street opposite park.